



SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

PUBLIC NOTICE
FAMILY LAW

The following is a list of changes affecting Family law cases in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento effective January 1, 2013.

Increase of Witness Deposit

Witness deposit fee is increased from \$150 to \$275 pursuant to Government Code section 68097.2

Availability of Forms and Instructional Packets

By January 1, 2013, forms and instructional packets will only be available online at www.saccourt.ca.gov. The clerk's office is handing out what remains in stock and will discontinue this practice once they are depleted.

Disclosure of Pending Hearing Date on Pleadings

New local rule 5.10 requires that all pleadings filed for use at a pending hearing must list the date, time and department of the hearing in the upper right hand corner of the first page. If a hearing is not set, the pleading must indicate "NO Hearing" on the upper right hand corner of the pleading.

Telephone Appearances

New local rule 5.24 requires that telephone appearance requests for non-evidentiary hearings on the court's law and motion calendars for Departments 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, and 132 (domestic violence hearings only) can be made by filing with the clerk in the department a Request for Telephone Appearance form [Local Form CT-022] at least 10 days before the hearing. Service on the parties must be by personal delivery, fax, express mail, or other means reasonably calculated to ensure delivery by the close of the next court day. Proof of Service must be filed with the Court prior to the hearing.

Petition for Private Mediation

A Petition and Order for Private Child Custody Recommending Counseling [Local Form LP-601] must be submitted with a Declaration of Private Child Custody Recommending Counseling Regarding Qualifications [Local Form FR-411] for each mediator proposed.

Service by Publication or Posting

California Rules of Court 5.72 implements new optional forms for application and order for service by publication or posting. The court's local forms will no longer be used.

Preparation, Service and Submission of Order After Hearing

California Rules of Court 5.125 establishes a new rule regarding submission and approval of orders after hearing.

Request for Emergency Orders; Application; Required Documents

Local form Declaration Notice Upon Ex Parte Applications for Orders [Local Form LP-604] was amended to incorporate additional information required from the applicant pursuant to California Rules of Court 5.151.

Witness Lists

California Rules of Court 5.113 requires witness lists to be served along with the request for order or responsive papers.